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SUBJECT: SOWETO REFUGEES GOING TO TANZANIA AND NIGERIA

1. ACTING UNHCR REP SERGIO DE MELO INFORMED EMBOFF AFTERNOON OF DECEMBER 3 THAT UNHCR (IN CONJUNCTION WITH SOUTH AFRICAN PAC) IS IN THE PROCESS OF AIRLIFTING APPROXIMATELY 145 SOWETO STUDENT REFUGEES FROM MANZINI TO DAR ES SALAAM. THE OPERATION STARTED TODAY AND WILL END TOMORROW. UNHCR REP SAID THAT THE PAC IS PAYING FOR TRANSPORTATION COSTS, WHILE UNHCR IS HANDLING THE LOGISTICAL AND RESETTLEMENT PROBLEMS.

2. DE MELO SAID THAT HALF OF THE SOWETO STUDENTS WOULD REMAIN IN TANZANI AND THE OTHER HALF WOULD BE GOING TO NIGERIA. DE MELO VOLUNTEERED THAT THE TANZANIA AND NIGERIAN GOVERNMENTS HAVE INFORMED THE UNHCR THAT THEY ARE PREPARED TO ACCEPT AND AN UNLIMITED NUMBER OF SOUTH AFRICAN REFUGEE STUDENTS IN
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THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRIES. DE MELO SAID MOZAMBIQUE

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HAS TAKEN A RATHER HARD LINE ON SOUTH AFRICAN REFUGEES. WHILE IT IS PREPARED TO ALLOW THEM TO TRANSIT MOZAMBIQUE, IT IS NOT YET PREPARED TO ALLOW THEM TO STAY INDEFINITELY.

3. DE MELO SAID THAT ALTHOUGH THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO OTHER AIRLIFTS PLANNED, TODAY'S OPERATION WILL PROBABLY TURN OUT TO BE THE FIRST OF MANY.
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